PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 Mar 61	2. LOCATION N of Spring Brook and Tioga, North Dakota	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical VENUS ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2050 GMT 020250Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian and Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15-20 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE Descending

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING White circular object. Attracted attention of observer because of brightness. Appeared on horizon in NW and disappeared below horizon after 15-20 min. Moved N and S. Multiple reports fm general area.

11. COMMENTS Objt was probably Planet Venus. Time of sighting was in direction of Venus. Venus had mag of -4.3. Atmospheric refraction probably caused distortion and gave apparent motion to objt. Sighting coincided with setting of planet.

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ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (21)

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RJEZHQ/HQ USAF AFCIN WASH 25 DC

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INFO RJWZGU/29TH AIR DIV SAGE MALMSTROM AFB MONT

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UNCLAS 120 SUBJ: UFO REF: AFR 200-2 PARA 15

A. 1. CIRCULAR 6. EXTREME BRIGHTNESS

2. NICKEL 7. NONE

3. WHITE 8. NONE

4. ONE 9. NONE

5. N/A

B. 1. BRIGHTNESS

2. LOW OVER HORIZON IN NORTHWEST

3. BELOW HORIZON IN NORTHWEST

4. NORTH TO SOUTH AND SLIGHTLY WESTERLY

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5. BELOW HORIZON SLOWLY

6. FIFTEEN TO TWENTY MINUTES TOTAL TIME

C. 1. GROUND VISUAL 3. N/A

2. NONE

D. 1. 0250Z/ 2 MAR 61

2. NIGHT

E. 1. 9 MILES NORTH OF SPRING BROOK NORTH DAKOTA

F. 1. [redacted] (FARMER) SPRING BROOK N.D. AGE UNK.

ALSO REPORTED BY CHEIF OF POLICE, TIOGA, NORTH DAKOTA.

G. 1. OVERCAST SKY

2. WIND FROM WEST AT THIRTEEN KNOTS

3. NINE THOUSAND BROKEN

4. FIFTEEN

5. SIX TENTHS TO NINE TENTHS

6. NONE

7. UNKNOWN

H. 1. COULD POSSIBLY BE VENUS

I. NONE.

J. NONE

K. CAPTAIN FRANKLIN B. BRIGHAM. SENIOR DIRECTOR. POSSIBLY

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SAME OBJECT REPORTED ON PREVIOUS REPORT ON 1 MAR 61.

L. PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS THEY ARE MADE AVAILABLE BY WILLISTON N.D. POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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